

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. Headwear comprising:

a crown main body; and

a headband attached along a lower peripheral edge of said crown main body, said headband including a covering portion and a mesh lining tape sewn together with a plurality of stitching lines interwoven in a chain-like pattern.

2. The headwear as set forth in claim 1, wherein said covering portion is folded over at least part of said mesh lining tape.

3. The headwear as set forth in claim 1, wherein said mesh lining tape is made of nylon yarn interwoven to form a mesh of generally perpendicular strands arranged on a bias.

4. The headwear as set forth in claim 1, wherein said stitching lines are sewn with stretch yarn.

5. The headwear as set forth in claim 1, wherein said covering portion is made of fabric.

6. The headwear as set forth in claim 1, wherein said covering portion is made of hand-knitted textile.

7. The headwear as set forth in claim 6, wherein said hand-knitted textile contains polyurethane.

8. The headwear as set forth in claim 6, wherein said hand-knitted textile contains no polyurethane.

9. The headwear as set forth in claim 1, wherein said covering portion has a tunnel-like shape with folded portions overlapping said mesh lining tape.

10. The headwear as set forth in claim 9, wherein said stitching lines are sewn with stretch yarn and extend through said covering portion including said folded portions.

11. A free-size headband comprising a covering portion and a mesh lining tape sewn together with a plurality of stitching lines interwoven in a chain-like pattern, the mesh lining tape being made of nylon yarn interwoven to form a mesh pattern of generally perpendicular strands arranged on a bias.

12. The headwear as set forth in claim 11, wherein said covering portion is folded over at least part of said mesh lining tape.

13. The headwear as set forth in claim 11, wherein said stitching lines are sewn with stretch yarn.

14. The headwear as set forth in claim 11, wherein said covering portion is made of fabric.

15. The headwear as set forth in claim 11, wherein said covering portion is made of hand-knitted textile.

16. The headwear as set forth in claim 15, wherein said hand-knitted textile contains polyurethane.

17. The headwear as set forth in claim 15, wherein said hand-knitted textile contains no polyurethane.

18. The headwear as set forth in claim 11, wherein said covering portion has a tunnel-like shape with folded portions overlapping said mesh lining tape.

19. The headwear as set forth in claim 18, wherein said stitching lines are sewn with stretch yarn and extend through said covering portion including said folded portions.